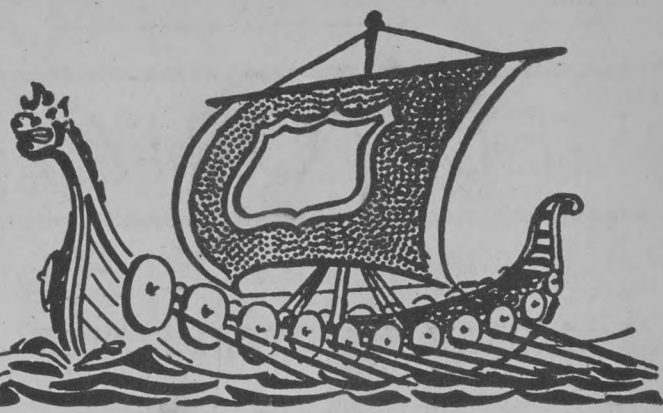


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Peace on Earth Goodwill To All Men

Advent And Christmas At Augustana

Sunday evening services will be held at 7:30 p.m. on each of the four Sundays of Advent. Pastor Leon Linquist will be preaching a series of sermons in the first person on the great spokesmen for God in the Old Testament. Ezekiel, Isaiah, Amos, and Jeremiah will be the prophets considered.

On Sunday evening, December 12, a Service of Light and Santa Lucia observance will be held. Everyone is welcome to this popular evening and its social hour.

Noon Services will be held on each of the Wednesdays of Advent. They are designed for people who work or live downtown. The worship services begin at 12:05. Lunch is served by the ladies of the church at 12:30.

Christmas Eve will be celebrated with a carol service at 8 p.m. The service will consist of familiar carols and the Christmas sermon.

On Christmas Day at 7 a.m., the traditional Juletta service will be held. A special choir will sing Swedish numbers. The favourite Swedish Christmas hymn will be sung. A social hour will follow the morning service.

The Finnish people will hold a worship service on Christmas Day at 3 p.m. There is a possibility of obtaining a Finnish Sermon on tape from Ontario.

People of Scandinavian background are invited to all of these Advent and Christmas events.

SCANDAPADES '66

The biggest and best Scandapades show ever is now under production. Well-known Edmonton show director, Jack Unwin has been engaged to produce Scandapades '66. Using well-known talent, some new and some old, the show will delight every taste. Numbers in the ultra-modern vein; acts in the traditional vein, will be presented in a fast-moving, colourful manner.

Mr. Peter Jorgenson, Director of the Cultural Committee, together with the Cultural Committee, will be working closely with Mr. Unwin. Plan to attend Scandapades '66, at the Jubilee Auditorium, January 22, 1966. It will definitely be the finest Scandapades production to date.

Annual Scandinavian Night Planned For January 22nd, 1966

Mr. Peter Jorgenson is the Director in charge of this big annual function. For an evening of wonderful entertainment and fun there will be Scandapades '66; there will be dancing after the show to two great orchestras; there will be a delicious lunch and coffee available; there will be Scandinavian hospitality.

COME AND BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

Song Of Norway Presented At Jubilee Auditorium

The Light Opera 'Song of Norway' was recently held in the Jubilee Auditorium. The leading lady and male singers had sensitive voices but could have been more forceful and dramatic in some parts, however, this lack was probably due to nervousness as this was the first major performance for both and difficult roles. Eileen Turner, Producer-Director, suffered a broken arm the last night of rehearsal, which necessitated a new Director. The Opera was intended to be gay and lighthearted. The colorfully costumed youthful dancers and ballet performers helped to create this atmosphere, as well as the many comedy scenes. The scenery was a delight to the eye. A basket of beautiful flowers, donated by the Sons of Norway, graced the foyer. Boquets were presented to the leading ladies by Arlene Amdam, Sharon Sorenson and Anita Searl.

Don't Forget . . .

THE RED CROSS BLOOD CLINIC IN OUR CENTRE, DECEMBER 7th, 1965, 7 until 9 p.m. We do hope that those who are able will be donors at this clinic. A life may be saved because you spared a few minutes of your time.

A ship picture carved on a flagstone found at Deevlebukta, near Trondheim, dates from about 800 B.C., according to Norwegian archeologists.

SANTA CLAUS . . .

CHRISTMAS EVE is the greatest night in the year. It is a night of mystery. When everybody is in bed, except the policemen, down the chimney comes an old gentleman in a red cloak, bordered with white wool, carrying over his back an immense sack stuffed with toys and bonbons, which he empties into the stockings of good little boys and girls asleep in their beds.

The policeman does not see the old housebreaker; the black soot does not smirch his beautiful red-and-white cloak; more wonderful still, the smallest chimney on the humblest roof in all the world is wide enough for his descent, sack and all. The fact is, Santa Claus, Saint Nicholas, Father Christmas, Bonhomme Noel, Knecht Clobes, or whatever else children may call the old gentleman with the sack — the fact is he is a ghost.

He is the ghost of that good St. Nicholas who went about doing generous acts in secret; who slipped money, silver, and gold, through the keyholes or under the doors of poor people, and made homes happy without letting anyone know how it happened. Nicholas was a kind man, and now he is a kind ghost. All over the world — in Europe, America, Asia, Africa and Australia, the ghost of this old man on Christmas Eve passes down millions of chimneys, and fills billions of stockings with trillions of toys and candies. Yes, really and truly, it is the spirit of St Nicholas who comes across the snow on Christmas Eve.

And this is the real mystery. Santa Claus very often takes a human form. There are so many chimneys in the world, and children will wake up so dreadfully early on Christmas Morning, that nowadays even a ghost has not time to go all round the world in a single night. So the ghost of St. Nicholas splits itself up into little atoms of kindness, and these atoms, like seed thrown from a sower's hand, take root in the hearts of fathers and mothers, and uncles and aunts, and guardians and friends, and turns them all, but for Christmas Eve only, into Santa Clauses.

"One Christmas Morning," says a French author, "when I was in my eighth year, as I was searching in my sabots, (wooden shoe) I pulled out a big penny, which made me bitterly unhappy. Where had Father Christmas, the fairy giver of toys, unearthed this horrid, greasy money? Certainly not from heaven. I immediately suspected that my father had placed this prosiac money in

The True Story Of Father Christmas!

my shoe simply to destroy my faith in the legend of Father Christmas. My faith in dear old Father Christmas and his donkey was completely shattered, and it was from that moment that doubt entered my infant soul for the first time."

But this little boy should have said to himself: "No doubt my father put this money in my shoe, nevertheless, he does not put pennies there every night in the year, and so it must have been Santa Claus who made him do it."

And this you will see, is the true explanation of Santa Claus. Perhaps it is only in very old-fashioned, out-of-the-way places that Father Christmas really rides about, and climbs on the roof, and descends down the chimney with his sack of toys. But if there had never been a St. Nicholas, who was a real man, no stockings and no sabots — as the French call their shoes — would even have been set out on Christmas Eves for surprise gifts. So it is still a mystery, and it is still from heaven that this mystery comes.

If you keep half an eye open this Christmas Eve and see, while you pretend to be fast asleep, your father and mother enter the room with candies and parcels of toys, candies and oranges, just say to yourself that Santa Claus is employing them to do his will, and that if St. Nicholas had not lived and done kindly things, you would never have had that box of soldiers, that automobile, that doll or box of choco-

lates, etc., on Christmas Morning. Is it not much more mysterious than Santa Claus himself? Do not think that you are very sharp and clever to have found out how the toys and candies come to you on Christmas Eve. It is one of the great mysteries of life.

For once upon a time there lived a rich young man who tried, because he so much admired the kind and gentle character of Christ, to make his money give other people happiness. He went about placing coins and gifts in the homes of poor people. He did good in secret. The name of this young man was Nicholas. When he died, people called him Saint Nicholas. He died and was buried like any ordinary man. But one man, whom men called Nicholas, has from his grave, for hundreds of years, inspired the whole civilized world to be kind and generous on Christmas Eve. He was not a mighty warrior, but he has done more for the happiness, kindness and good-humour of the world than Caesar or Napoleon. Is that not far greater mystery than Santa Claus and his reindeers?

Learn from this story that a beautiful character is more powerful than any fairy and understand that your presents at Christmas are given to you in secret only that you, when you grow up, may follow the example of giving without telling.

Santa Claus, even if he comes in your father's or your mother's person, is still the loving spirit of the good Nicholas.

THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS . . .

To some it's a room-full of gifts wrapped just so,
A beautiful tree with lights all aglow,
A great turkey dinner with family and friends
And good Christmas cheer till the holiday ends.
To some it seems work from morning 'til night
To see that things look and taste just right,
So all will have the most wonderful day,
A day to remember till next Christmas Day.
To some it's a struggle to feed hungry mouths
To bolster low spirits of weak ones with doubts,
To make ends meet when there's nothing to spare,
And try not to show that a heart's in despair.
To some it means Shepherds who followed the Star,
And found a new Savior in City afar,
Sent to bring hope, and to life a new worth
For those who are weary a glorious birth.
Let the air fill with carols so sweet,
Ring out joyous bells, the Message repeat.
May all hearts remember this season so gay,
'Tis the Birthday of Jesus we honor this day.

—Elsie Simmons

EDITORIAL

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK . . .

BY MRS. LINNEA LODGE

We wish to welcome our new Editor, Mrs. Peggy Norgaard, to the Staff of the Scandinavian News. We have been very fortunate in being able to acquire her capable assistance. The same policy will apply as previously, whereby all material must be on her desk by the seventeenth of each month.

FINLAND'S INDEPENDENCE DAY . . .

On December 6, 1917 the Finnish Diet declared their independence. After many years of being ruled by others and unrest in the country this must have been a glorious day. It is with great pride that Finnish people all over the world will celebrate the anniversary of this day. We extend our greetings to our Finnish friends who will observe this event.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET NOVEMBER 9, 1965 . . .

- Our Auditor, J. Mogar, is unable to continue in this capacity, therefore, Mr. Helge Ramsing is to engage another.
- We are pleased to accept a framed picture which is a gift from the Swedish Club- North Star.
- The Manager has paid the tax bill of \$2,413.54.
- Jack Unwin has been engaged as producer of Scandapades '66 Show to be held at the Jubilee Auditorium on January 22, 1966.
- Mr. Peter Jorgensen has agreed to act in the capacity of business manager with the assistance of Mr. K. L. Svidal.

ENTERTAINMENT FOR SHUT-INS . . .

About a year ago a request came from a city hospital for some entertainment from the Scandinavian Community. Up to this time we have not heard from anyone who was willing to try such a programme. This past week a telephone call was received and again they wished to know if any entertainment had been located. Now that winter is here, these people find the evenings long so they would appreciate anything that could be done for them along this line. Senior Citizen homes and other similar groups would also welcome such a plan. Sometimes it needs someone to set up a pattern and then others can follow. Amongst our great membership there must be a person who would like to organize such a project. This could be a very rewarding experience for anyone who would like to take up the challenge. Please contact me if you have any ideas and then possibly something could be done in the New Year.

CHRISTMAS IN BENGHAZE . . .

Yes, we do have members in Libya and in many other parts of the world. Each will celebrate the Yuletide in his own way but I don't think the members in Benghazi will have snow on Christmas morning. I wonder if they have a decorated tree as we do. In each country different traditions are observed but wherever you are it is a time of friendliness and caring about people. It is a time of joy and gladness, and a feeling of goodwill to our fellow man.

Wherever you might be during the Holiday Season, the Board of Directors wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and much happiness in the New Year.

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VASA GLIMPSES

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ekman and family spent Thanksgiving weekend in Lethbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Eliasson visited their aunt and uncle in Lacombe recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krag enjoyed the lovely October weather on a trip by train to Vancouver and by boat to Victoria and Seattle. On return home they proceeded on a motor trip to the Grand Tetons in Wyoming where Emma did some sketching and painting and they returned home via Spokane.

Congratulations to Wayne Swanson on bagging a moose on a recent hunt in the Edson area in company with Mons and Glen Eliasson.

Miss Sheila Ogren, accompanied by a friend, Alice Polzen, spent a pleasant holiday when they visited Toronto and Niagara Falls.

Mrs. Reginald Johnson left recently on an extended visit to Winnipeg, Madison, Wisconsin and Detroit.

Per Haugland is reported ill in the Royal Alex Hospital and Mrs Sid Johnson is slated to enter University Hospital for heart treatment at an early date.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Johnson expect their daughter Jeri and her husband Tim Collins of Washington, D.C., for a visit in mid-December. Lt. Collins is on leave before being posted to Viet Nam in January.

Congratulations to Martha Kay who was the lucky winner of a tent at the Haddasah bazaar.

Card of Thanks . . .

I wish to extend a sincere Thank You to the members of Vasa Lodge Skandia who planned the dinner and dance held in the Scandinavian Centre to raise funds to pay for my new wheel chair; also to all who helped in any way, and to the many who turned out and made the event such a success.

Sincerely,
Johnnie Jarrett,
St. Joseph's Hospital

Evelyn Johnson Honored On Birthday

Vasa members and friends converged on the Don Johnson residence on Saturday evening, November 13th, to celebrate with Evelyn Johnson on her fiftieth birthday. Gifts were presented, among them an enlarged photo of Don Johnson in his early "youth". A complimentary poem was read by Evelyn Modin, the authors of which were Betty Pearson and Evelyn Modin. The evening ended with a sumptuous lunch which included a beautiful cake, all provided by the guests. Sig and Alice Johnson of Minburn were out-of-town guests.

ICELANDIC NOTES

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Icelandic people of Edmonton for choosing me to represent the Icelandic Society as a Miss United Nations contestant on October 24, 1965.

Corinne Arnfinson

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Orr, Jr., attended a Geophysical Convention in Dallas, Texas, and also visited friends in Houston.

The program "Telescope" on CBC-TV, November 18th, was of interest to the people of Icelandic descent, as it was entitled "The Gimli Saga", and dealt with the Icelandic people of Gimli, Manitoba, and Iceland.

Mr. and Mrs. Eggert Borgford and son, Lloyd, of Calgary, spent the November 14th weekend at the home of their niece, Mrs. Don Shaw. Lloyd Eggert has a job with the Hudson's Bay Company store at Ft. Chipewyan on Lake Athabasca and left Edmonton November 15th to take up his new position.

The Icelandic Choral group will be participating in Scandapades '66 in late January. The show will be under the capable direction of Mr. Jack Unwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Nelson of Lac la Biche, who recently returned from a three weeks holiday in Norway, visited their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Al Arnason of Edmonton.

BIRTHDAYS

Best wishes for a happy birthday in December — Mrs. O. T. Johnson.

A FRIEND'S GREETING

I'm wishing at this Christmas time that I could but repay A portion of the gladness that you've strewn along my way; And could I have one wish this year, this only would it be: I'd like to be the sort of friend that you have been to me.

—Edgar A. Guest

Mrs. Gudrun Vigfusson of Selkirk, Man., is visiting her four sons and daughter in the city and Sherwood Park during the winter season.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hendrickson have invited the Icelandic Society executive to their home on December 3rd for the next meeting.

Mrs. Viola Wallbank, a member of the Icelandic Choral Group is singing with the University Singers, under the direction of Professor Eaton of the U. of A. They will perform Handel's "Messiah" at the Jubilee Auditorium, December 16th.

Welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Al Campbell and family, who were transferred here in mid-November from Winnipeg. They have two children, Margaret and Neil, and Mrs. Campbell is the former Jonina Bjarnason of Gimli.

The Executive of your Icelandic Society joins me in extending to you and yours best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. My wife and I will be at home at 7615 Rowland Road between 2 - 4 p.m., December 26th. Won't you join us for coffee?

Walter Arason, President

Miss Thelma Hendrickson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hendrickson, is vacationing in sunny Hawaii for three weeks.

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DANIA DOINGS

The lucky winners at the Angsar Ladies' Aid Bazaar held November 12th were Nanna Knudsen, Nicko Pedersen, Sigurd Christensen and Grethe Norlander. Congratulations.

Danish Society "DANIA" held their annual general meeting recently and the new directors are as follows:

President, Carl Andersen; Vice-President, Erik Christensen; Treasurer, Helge Ramsing; Secretary, Vera Nielsen and other members are Ove Klostergaard, Vagn Andersen and Claus Jacobsen — Grethe Perrin and Gerda Jensen. Two Auditors, Jens Godbersen and Svend Nielsen.

"BIKUBEN" held their annual meeting Monday, November 15th and the new board looks as follows: President, Vera Nielsen; Vice-President open till next time; Treasurer, Kirsten Christensen; Secretary, Inge Godbersen; Auditor, Clara Frey.

Next "BIKUBEN" meeting will be held on December 20th at 10029 - 85 Avenue. As it will be our Christmas meeting, everyone brings a small parcel and a little of their delicacies for Christmas.

We are all looking forward to "DANIA'S" Christmas Concert for the members' children on December 12th. The names have been coming in fast this year and we'd like to thank you all for being so prompt, it helps us to get the gifts ordered in good time. On December 13th we are looking forward to seeing a good crowd for our annual Bingo, if you are lucky you will be able to take home your fowl for Christmas Dinner.

A Very Happy and Merry Christmas to all our friends and readers and may all good things come your way in the New Year.

Please send for your 1966 Membership Card to:

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For Improvements To Park Facilities

Capital expenditures amounting to \$1,200,000 have been budgeted for the Parks Branch, Department of Lands and Forests, for the operation and maintenance of Alberta's provincial parks for the 1965-66 fiscal year. Negotiations are also under way to expand the land areas of Beauvais Lake, Big Knife, Long Lake and Miquelon Lake Provincial Parks.

At Cypress Hills Provincial Park a multi-purpose lodge is to be constructed for year-round group gatherings. Existing lines in the town and park water system will be replaced. Park facilities are to be improved with a sewage system and new fire hydrants.

More beach area will become

available at Wabamun Lake Provincial Park with the construction of a sea wall. The park will also acquire a central wash house with water and sewage system.

Scheduled for Big Knife Provincial Park is the installation of electricity, while Bow Valley and Long Lake parks will have new water supply systems. Kinbrook Island Park will get a bath house, with picnic shelter programmed for construction at Willow Creek and Woolford parks. A new water well will also be drilled at Woolford.

In addition, improvements to warden, caretaker and other Parks Division facilities are planned. These include residences, workshops, garages and others. Provincial parks

with various facilities for use by branch personnel scheduled for installation include Aspen Beach, Cypress Hills, Crimson Lake, Entrance, Gooseberry Lake, Miquelon Lake, Park Lake, The Vermilion and Thunder Lake Provincial Parks.

In addition, Municipal Aid grants are being continued. Grants are applicable to municipally owned park projects in counties, municipal districts or improvement districts. The parks must be owned or under long term lease to be eligible for these grants. The grants are aimed at improvement and development of rural-type parks in Alberta. A total of \$285,000 has been approved and committed since 1960 under this plan.

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Mrs. Teckla Nylen Passes Away October 18th

The sudden passing of Mrs. Teckla Nylen, age 82, came as a shock to her family and many friends. Among the bereaved are her son Carl Evert of Edmonton, her sister, Jenny Miller, and three grandchildren, besides a host of friends. Her husband, John Nylen, and two of their children predeceased her in the early twenties.

The funeral was held in Howard and McBrides Chapel with Rev. E. Checkland of First Baptist Church officiating. The impressive Vasa rites were performed by Mrs. Margaret Eliasson and Vasa Lodge president, Glen Eliasson. Interment in the Edmonton Cemetery.

Mrs. Nylen emigrated from Sundsvall, Sweden in 1916 and the family homesteaded in the Hoadly district until the death of her husband. Later she moved to Edmonton with her son Carl. She was employed with the Canadian National Railway Co. until her retirement in 1949 after which she spent a year in Sweden. Since then she has made her home in Edmonton where she was a member of Vasa Lodge Skandia No. 549, taking part in its many activities until recently. She will be sorely missed by her relatives and many friends.

IN MEMORY OF TECKLA NYLEN

Dear friend, you are gone from this earth,
But gone is not your sterling worth.
People with troubles should take a cue
And bear tribulations bravely like you.
Worldly goods and a lot of riches
Were never among your special wishes,
You set more value to the end,
On companionship with family and friends.
These were the things made your life worth while
And to face its problems with a smile;
When you had a lot of pain to bear
You just pretended it wasn't there.
People like you make life less cold
Make it not so hard to just grow old.
If we can take it gracefully like you
And not fume and complain like many do.
So humbly, with these lines I pay tribute
To a pioneer who really did contribute
Love, understanding and courage
Along life's great long entourage.

—Betty Pearson

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Sunday, December 5th, 11:00 a.m.	Danish Service
Sunday, December 12th, 11:00 a.m.	English Service
Sunday, December 19th, 11:00 a.m.	Danish Service
Friday, December 24th, 4:00 p.m.	Danish Service
Saturday, December 25th, 10:00 a.m.	English Service
Saturday, December 25th, 11:00 a.m.	Danish Service
Sunday, December 26th, 11:00 a.m.	English Service
Sunday, January 2nd, 11:00 a.m.	Danish Service

Children Plan Activities

A Childrens' Party will be held in the Nordic Room, Scandinavian Centre on the afternoon of December 5th (Sunday) from 2 to 4 p.m.

Christmas Concert

The annual Christmas concert will be held in the Nordic Room, Scandinavian Centre, on the afternoon of Sunday, December 19th from 2 to 4 p.m. There will be treats for all the children and lunch will be served after the concert.

Symons - Johnson Vows Said November 6th

The marriage took place in Avonmore United Church on November 6th of Miss Audrey Fay Johnson, daughter of Mrs. Reginald Johnson, to Robert Charles, son of Mrs. M. Symons, with Rev. A. B. Simpson officiating.

Mr. Lloyd Johnson gave his sister in marriage and his wife Phyllis attended as matron of honor, and the groom's brother, Ron Symons, was best man.

A reception in their honor was held in the Riviera Hotel after which the couple motored to Banff for their honeymoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Symons will reside in Edmonton.

Vasa Lodge Skandia Holds November Meeting

There was a good attendance at the November meeting of Lodge Skandia No. 549 held in the Nordic Room of the Scandinavian Centre. Mr. and Mrs. Stonehauer of Lethbridge Lodge were given a welcome by the Chairman, Glen Eliasson. Mr. Stonehauer commented on the new premises and congratulated members of our lodge on their participation in the building of the Centre.

The Charter was draped and there was a minute of silence in memory of the passing of a beloved member, Mrs. Teckla Nylen, on October 18th.

The initiation of two new members was conducted by the regular officers of the lodge.

Reported sick were Hank Wiberg, Gus Johnson and Ed Peterson, all under doctors' care and Mrs. Anna Johnson in hospital.

It was reported by Eric Pierre that approximately 467 attended the annual smorgasbord and all who helped to make the evening a success were tendered a hearty thanks.

The nominating committee presented nominations for officers for the coming year and further nominations were accepted from the house. A new entertainment committee was elected consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Weiss, Mrs. Glen Eliasson and Wayne Swanson. Linnea Lodge was congratulated on her appointment to the office of District Secretary.

A very nice lunch was served after the meeting, followed by the showing of a film of Sweden, and a game of charades was enjoyed.

The next meeting will be held December 4th and election of new officers will take place. Seven p.m. is the time and everyone is urged to attend.

Letter Of Appreciation Received

The following letter of appreciation has been brought to our attention. It's nice to find that a neighbour from across the border is impressed with the service offered by our charter flight.

Rev. Carolyn A Lindblad,
214 Pilkington Avenue,
Santa Cruz, California
October 21, 1965

Dear Friends of the
Scandinavian Center,

It is with a real sense of delight and pleasure that I tell you of the thrill one of your tours to Oslo brought me this summer.

The service of the Center and of your representatives was superb in every way. Being a visitor in Canada, I appreciated the friendliness and kindness very much.

The flight on Canadian Pacific was absolutely "perfect" with meals that were meant for royalty.

I, as just a passenger, enjoyed every moment in Oslo and return, appreciating immensely the Scandinavian Center tour offer. Hoping I shall again have the pleasure to travel on one of your tours.

Thanking you,

Sincerely,
Carolyn A. Lindblad

United Nations Cafe And Ball

The United Nations Cafe and Ball convened by Mrs. M. McDonald was held on the night of October 23 in the Jubilee Auditorium. Tables with a variety of food displays were set up by the various ethnic groups. Serving at the Norwegian table, in costume, were Betty Travis and Ella Searl. Irene Hovde, also in costume, served coffee. The food was donated by the Sons of Norway. The popular rosettes and meat balls were made by Maisie Amdam and Ragna Sivertsen. An interesting program by young performers and presentation of queens followed the supper hour, with dancing concluding the evening's entertainment.

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Solglyt Holds Initiation Night

The war dead of World Wars 1 and 2 and the Korean War were honored by a minute of silence on November 12, when members gathered in the Nordic Room for their third fall meeting. Welcomed into the Lodge by initiation were Mr. and Mrs. H. Haugen, and Mrs. Burrows. The social hour was one of suspense and laughter when Joe Lineham as questioner tried to trip partners in a 'Mr. and Mrs. Quiz'. Prizes were given to the six couples who participated. They were Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ness, Mr. and Mrs. M. Travis, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hinton, Mr. and Mrs. K. Svidal, Mr. and Mrs. C. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. A. Searl. An army style lunch was served with Clara Lineham as hostess.

JUNIOR NOTE

A family Christmas Party, planned by the Juniors will be held on Sunday, December 19, at the Scandinavian Centre. Come out and support the Junior Lodge.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. R. Vollen enjoyed holidays recently at Burns Lake and Kitimat Lake, B.C., travelling via the scenic Hart Highway.

Mr. and Mrs. Inge Anderson travelled by car to Montreal where Mr. Anderson attended the Soils Conservation Convention. Their return trip took them through Toronto, Winnipeg and Outlook.

Mr. Henry Dick, of St. Joseph's Hospital, celebrated his 97th birthday on November 11. He is Mrs. Verklands' father and grandfather to Betty Travis and Eva Berg.

Mr. and Mrs. Svend Tychen spent a few days recently visiting at Hazel and Swift Current, Saskatchewan.

Mrs. S. Halberg recently underwent major surgery at the University Hospital. We hope she has greatly improved and is enjoying much better health.

Mr. Richard Larson has taken on a full time winter job at the Auction Mart in Morinville.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Olafson spent holidays in Portland and Vancouver.

Miss Betty McKevitt accompanied her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard McKevitt, on vacation to Portland. En route they toured Langreil Museum at Haines, Oregon. There was a fascinating collection of crystal and china, a player organ and piano. Another stop was made at Peterson Rock Garden at Redmond, Oregon. Miniature castles, houses and arches made of colored volcanic rocks and shells. They were all engulfed by tiny trickling rivers and canals. Around the grounds strolled numerous peacocks. They also visited Operation Santa Claus, a ranch which raises reindeer used by many communities during the Christmas Season. Side trips around Portland included the famous Portland Zoo, Lloyd Shopping Centre, Vista House on the old Oregon Trail and also Multnomah Falls. On their trip homeward they visited Maryhill Museum of Fine Arts. Items of interest there were from Queen Maria and a collection of dolls dressed in wardrobes by famous designers, shortly after the First World War. Ginkgo Petrified Forest Museum with samples of petrified wood dating back thousands of years, was another interesting stop.

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Chuckles . . .

The man underwent stomach surgery. When the doctor opened him up, out flew several butterflies. "Well," exclaimed the doc, stepping back, "I'll be hanged — he was right!"

* * *

The little boy was viewing the ocean for the first time. "Look, mummy," he cried, "it just keeps flushing and flushing."

* * *

In the middle of the motion picture, a lady wearing a wide-brimmed hat sat down in front of an old man. For several minutes he craned his head this way and that; finally he tapped her on the shoulder. "Madam," he asked, "how much did you pay for that hat?"

Surprised, she answered, "Three dollars."

Without a word, the old man took three dollars from his wallet, handed it to her, took the hat and sat back to enjoy the movie.

* * *

"I wish I had enough money to buy an elephant."

"What on earth do you need an elephant for?"

"I don't. I just need the money."

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Our sincerest thanks to our Finnish friends who surprised us with a wonderful house warming party on October 31. Thank you.

Mr. and Mrs. Snelman

The ladies' chorus is busy practicing for the Christmas Song Festival to be held at Augustana Lutheran Church on December 12. Members of the chorus are: S. Ristola, R. Haigarainen, A. Sahuri, S. Vesaniemi, R. Vagovics, I. Rastas and U. Vesalainen is the accompanist.

REMINDERS—

Dec. 5 — A preparatory general meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Salomas, 2:00 p.m. for the annual meeting to be held sometime in January. A coffee party will be held after the meeting in remembrance of Finland's Independence Day. Everyone is urged to attend.

Dec. 19 — Children's Christmas Party. 2:00 p.m. Dania Room.

Speedy recovery to Mr. A. Pajja who was recently in the Hinton Hospital after suffering a heart attack.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Rama recently spent a weekend visiting friends in Calgary.

Mrs. Laura Ramo left for a winter vacation in Finland.

Finnpult, a Finnish ship helped in the rescue of the 468 survivors aboard the Yarmouth Castle which burned and sank in the Atlantic. Of personal interest might be that Mrs. Toini Virtanen's brother, Mr. V. Tiilikainen began his navy career on the Finnpuht.

Thank you to Mrs. R. Vesaniemi for being hostess of the November sewing circle. The next circle will be held in January.

As there is no bus service to the Scandinavian Centre, it is quite difficult for those who do not have cars to get there. In the future, we hope that those wishing a ride to the Finnish social activities will please contact either Mr. O. Virtanen, 479-8185 or Mr. T. Salomaa, 489-3157 who will arrange a ride for you.

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Suomalaiset Teruetuloa Jumalan Palvelus

On Monday evening, December 6th at 8:00 p.m., there will be a worship service at Augustana Lutheran Church, corner of 100 Avenue and 107 Street.

Rev. George A. Koponen of First United Church in Vancouver, B.C., will conduct the service in Finnish in commemoration of the anniversary of Finnish Independence.

The Service will be held in the Lower Meeting Room. Everybody is welcome.

We hope to see many of you at the New Year's Dance but remind you that refreshments will be available there so PLEASE do not bring your own. Thank you.

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2 cups buttermilk or sour milk
¾ cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/3 cup molasses
½ cup shortening
2 tablespoons salt
2 teaspoons anise seed
1 teaspoon soda
1 cup cold water
2 tablespoons grated orange rind
or 3 tablespoons candied orange peel
5 cups rye flour
6½ to 7 cups all purpose flour.

Soften yeast in warm water. Combine in saucepan buttermilk, brown sugar, molasses, shortening, salt and anise seed. Bring to a boil; remove from heat. Combine soda and cold water. Add to hot mixture; cool to lukewarm in 4 quart mixing bowl. Add orange rind and the softened yeast. Gradually add the two flours to form a stiff dough.

Knead on well-floured surface until smooth and satiny, about 8 minutes. Place in greased bowl and cover. Let rise in warm place until light and doubled in size, about 2 hours. Punch down dough. Let rise 30 minutes.

Divide into four parts. Shape into round loaves and place on well greased baking sheets or shape into oblong loaves and place in well greased 9x5x3 inch pans. Cover. Let rise in warm place until light and double in size (1 to 1½ hours).

Bake at 350 for 50 to 60 minutes. Makes 4 loaves.

Chuckles . . .

The members of the Sunday-school class were asked to set down their favorite Biblical truths. One little fellow printed: "Do one to others as others do one to you."

Buford Lodge Initiates Eleven New Members

The October meeting of the Buford Lodge No. 577 was very well attended. The highlight of the evening was the initiation of eleven new members who received a warm welcome. After the meeting, the ladies got out their griddles and provided a pancake supper with all the trimmings, which everyone enjoyed.

The Cash Bingo being sponsored by the Buford Lodge was very successful, the hall being filled to capacity. Winners were as follows: Vernon Pearson, Vivian Richards, Dale Bostrum, Lawrence Hayduk, Bill Peterson, Reggie Jacobson, Walter Sturko, Shelly Modin, Grant Eklund, Kerry Modin, Warren Pearson, George Modin, Gerda Erickson, Wanda Markstedt, Alice Evanson, Dorothy Fitowich, Erik Kvarnberg and Lorna Erickson.

Get well wishes go out to Goody Pearson who has been a patient in the Leduc Municipal Hospital.

The members are saddened by the death of a fellow member, Arnie Dixon whose funeral took place on November 17th.

The Junior Vasa members have re-organized for the winter with a new executive as follows: President, Lori Nystrom; Secretary, Maureen Modin; Treasurer, Jo Ann Markstedt; Chaplain, David Pearson; Guard, Shelby Modin.

Plans were made to go bowling on November 20th. A dance is also being planned.

Elaine Pearson has undergone a tonsillectomy at the Leduc Hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

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SOLGLYT SPOTLIGHT

FUTURE DATES

Dec. 10 — Election of Officers
Dec. 19 — Family Christmas Party
Dec. 31 — New Year's Eve Frolic

Solglyt Members View Iceland

Members and friends of Solglyt Lodge spent an enjoyable Sunday evening on October 17, viewing colored slides of Iceland, after a brief meeting. The slides were shown by Mr. Sumarlidason with an informative commentary by his wife, Mrs. Sumarlidason. The pictures made one feel this would be a fascinating place to visit for those who have as yet not been there, as the history and surprisingly beautiful scenery of the islands that make up Iceland are as yet quite new to the rest of the world. There were also some lovely slides of picturesque Norway shown with commentary by Joe Lineham. Coffee and lunch was served with Mrs. Reno as hostess.

BOWLING NOTES

Bowling has started for another season with Edel Jacobsen holding the high single of 297. Betty McKevitt with a high average of 199. Norman Nilson has the Men's High Single, 338 and the High Average of 216. 'Northern Lights', Captain Walter Meyer is the leading team.

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Farewell Party Held For Norwegians

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Mrs. Ragna Sivertsen convened the smorgasbord. The ladies who did triple duty — bring food, serve and wash dishes were: Mrs. N. Naverseth, Mrs. H. Johnson, Mrs. S. Tychsen, Mrs. M. Travis, Mrs. K. Amdam, Mrs. J. Lineham, Mrs. A. Gulbrandsen and Mrs. A. Searl, and Mrs. N. Nilson poured coffee. Mr. Joe Lineham provided recorded music. At flight time, a number of Sons of Norway members were on hand at the International Airport to wish them a safe journey back home.

Swedish

Homecoming Year Starts December 1

Starting December 1, 1965 and consisting of thirteen months and two Christmases, The Homecoming Year is being sponsored by a large number of organizations to encourage many of the more than three million men and women of Swedish descent living in North America to take a trip "home". The Swedes want to honor the achievements of all people of Swedish descent living abroad, thank them for the goodwill they have created for Sweden and things Swedish, and give them a good time.

To help make the trip a success, local welcoming committees are now being formed, genealogists are trying to trace relatives, and other helpful services will be available to the guests.

THANK YOU NOTE

Special thanks to the ladies who worked so hard to make the Lute-fisk supper a success and thanks to all who donated food, also the ones who sold tickets. The cooperation of all was much appreciated.

DEATH OF THE OLD YEAR . . .

Full knee deep lies the winter snow,
And the winter winds are wearily sighing:
Toll ye the church bell sad and low,
And tread softly and speak low,
For the old year lies a-dying.
Old Year, you must not die,
You came to us so readily,
You lived with us so steadily,
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